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AT THE GAZETTE OFFICE.

## IS STILL IMPROVING

No Further Record of  
New Cases.

## THE SITUATION BRIGHTER

Koalii Not a Plague Case—Board  
Rules on Freight Matters—  
Ship McDonald.

Another clean record was added yesterday to a generally improved situation in health department circles, and one case at the pest hospital, carried since February 5th as a suspect, was pronounced not a case of plague.

This was Koalii, the Hawaiian from the kerosene warehouse camp. By this announcement, nearly two hundred people will be released from that camp today.

The specimens from the Waialua cases did not reach Honolulu until yesterday morning. When Dr. Hoffmann opened the package a small tube carefully corked was found inside but addressed to Dr. Alvarez. A subsequent investigation showed that a similar mistake had been made in transmitting a specimen to the latter physician, and it was late in the afternoon before a change of specimens was effected. As the specimen had been placed in alcohol, no opportunity was left to make cultures, as the germs, if it contained any, were thus destroyed.

Reports from the pest hospital presented an improvement in all the patients. Both Armstrong Smith and Mr. Hartmann are steadily convalescing.

The Board of Health.

Yesterday's meeting of the Board was attended by Attorney-General Cooper, acting president; George W. Smith, Dr. Day, F. M. Hatch and F. J. Lowrey.

Dr. Emerson reported that the American ship John McDonald, forty days from Hongkong, had arrived in ballast consigned to Irwin & Co., to take sugar for the Coast. He stated that the ship did not carry a clean bill of health, as eight cases and seven deaths from plague had occurred in the week prior to her departure from Hongkong.

The vessel carries as ballast, broken rock, such as is disallowed entry into United States ports under the quarantine regulations. Coming from an infected port with soil, the Board felt that it would be a dangerous practice to allow such ballast to come into the harbor. It was suggested that the ballast be dumped into scows and then towed to sea for disposal, and that the sailors' baggage should be treated to a thorough disinfection, after which the vessel would be allowed practice. Dr. Emerson explained that the vessel was clean throughout and no sickness had occurred on board. One sailor had buboes, not caused, however, by plague infection.

Mr. Hatch moved that the ship John McDonald be allowed practice on condition that personal effects of the sailors be fumigated, the men disinfected, and the rock and soil ballast be not landed on shore, but dumped into deep sea. Carried.

The Australia's Cargo.

Mr. Giffard, representing Irwin & Co., requested a ruling in the manner of discharging the Australia's cargo, which consisted mostly of plantation supplies, which was to be transferred from the Australia to scows, thence into the inter-island steamers.

Yesterday forenoon part of the cargo was treated in this manner, but the workmen on the scows consisted of a portion of the Australia's crew, and longshoremen from the wharf; this was technically a violation of quarantine rules, and further work was suspended. Mr. Giffard represented that his company desired to assist the Board of Health in every way possible and had complied with the regulations to the best of its ability. The Board stated there was no objection against island steamers coming alongside the scows and taking freight; but that the line at the mixing up of clean crews from vessels and longshoremen.

It was suggested that tinne goods from the city, when disinfected, passed through the hands of longshoremen before being put aboard the island steamers, and yet were considered clean. The freight from the Australia was infinitely cleaner from a quarantine standpoint and probably would not suffer much from handling on the scows. The workmen used in the hold of the Australia, while discharging, were in clean vessels from clean vessels lying in the harbor.

Moved that the request of W. G. Irwin & Co. for discharging freight on scows and into island steamers, be granted on condition that the longshoremen be inspected each morning by a medical officer before being allowed on the scows. Carried.

Koalii Not a Suspect.

Minister Cooper announced that Dr. Hoffmann had determined that Koalii, the Hawaiian sent to the pest hospital

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## THE UNION JACK GOES FORWARD TO BATTLE

Gen. Buller Crosses the Tugela and  
Roberts Leaves the Cape.

## THE CLAYTON - BULWER TREATY MODIFIED TO AID THE CANAL

Colonel Buller Wants Honolulu to Take Second  
Rank Among Hawaiian Cities—California  
Senatorship—Sugar News.

DURBAN, Feb. 4.—General Buller crossed the Tugela river Friday night and is marching on Ladysmith. No definite news will be permitted to go out until Ladysmith is relieved.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—A special dispatch from Durban, dated Sunday, and referring to General Buller's recrossing the Tugela, in an advance upon Ladysmith, says:

"It is probable that General Buller crossed at a spot above Tricard's Drift, and that, leaving the enemy to the right, he is marching to Acton Homes, where the road to Ladysmith runs almost due east, through a fairly open country.

"It is expected here that he will reach Ladysmith tomorrow (Monday) night."

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Winston Churchill, in a dispatch from Spearman's Camp, dated Saturday, February 3d, says:

"The belief is general that all will be staked on the issue of the coming battle. It is probable that no press telegrams will be permitted to leave pending the operations.

"The fighting power, morale and material of the army was never higher than it is now."

The Daily Telegraph has the following dispatch from Spearman's Camp, dated Sunday evening:

"Messages are now freely exchanged between the camps of General Buller and General White—by night with calcium lamp, by day with heliograph. The men are enthusiastic at the prospect of a speedy advance under General Buller's instructions. A very large convoy with stores for the beleaguered garrison will accompany the relieving force. The Boers have repaired the road bridge over the Tugela at Colesburg sufficiently for the passage of cavalry."

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The Pietermaritzburg correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing yesterday, says:

"General Buller has undoubtedly secured the road to Ladysmith, and should reach his objective this week. It is believed here that the object of the Boers in occupying Ngutu, Zululand, is to secure the road from Dundee to Vryheid in case of retreat.

"I learn from a reliable source that General Joubert was seriously injured by a shell in the fight at Willow Grange, and that he will never be able to command again on horseback. My informant says that he has, in fact, retired from the field."

"The Boers admit that the attack on Ladysmith was a serious blunder and would not have occurred if General Joubert had been in command. General Lucas Meyer played the coward at Talana and sheltered himself in a Red Cross wagon, shamming sickness. He has been unable to face the Boers since and they threaten to shoot him."

"The Boers say Great Britain made a mistake in not sending General Sir Evelyn Wood. I understand that they still have thousands of barrels stored in reserve at Delagoa bay."

Rumors of Heavy Fighting.

LONDON, Feb. 5, 4:45 p. m.—A special dispatch from Durban, Natal, dated today, says: "There is no definite news from General Buller, but it is reported that there was heavy fighting yesterday."

It is learned from an official source that absolutely no confirmation has been received by the War Office of the report that General Buller has recrossed the Tugela river and is marching on Ladysmith. On the contrary, according to the information of the War Office at the present moment, there is every indication that things are quiet at the front and that no immediate movement is anticipated.

Regarding the dispatches from Ladysmith, saying that Buller's guns have been heard there, it is surmised that some practice may have been going on with the new batteries which have just reached the front.

Roberts' Movements.

LONDON, Feb. 6, 4 a. m.—Military opinion in London continues to assume, from very slender materials, that General Buller is again throwing his army against the Boer forces. A retired General, Sir William Henry Green, whose distinguished career gives weight to his opinion, thinks that General Buller, with 25,000 men, is making a wide detour to the west and north in order to avoid the roughest parts

## HILO HAS PLAGUE

Mrs. A. G. Serrao First  
Victim.

## SLIDES SHOW BACILLI

Portions of Glands Received—Body  
Buried in Lime—Dr. Wood  
Goes to Hilo.

(From Wednesday's Daily).

Hilo is visited by the bubonic plague. The little steamer Ka'uani appeared off the harbor yesterday morning, and sent the news to the Board of Health. Several letters, detailing the history of the case, were received by the Board shortly before noon, closely followed by a large ominous looking package containing three jars, each holding glands or fluid taken from the body of Mrs. Serrao, whom the Hiloites believe to have died of the plague.

Following so closely upon the appearance of bubonic plague on Maui, the news was not so startling in its effects upon the Board; but, nevertheless, the gravity of the situation was apparent to all.

Dr. Hoffmann immediately proceeded to making microscopical examinations of the glands sent the Board; but he had difficulty in mounting them, on account of the decomposition which had set in since they had been removed from the body. However, shortly after gazing into the microscope he gave way to Dr. Wood. A moment later the latter arose and said that what he had seen was sufficient for him to make up his mind to go to Hilo at the first opportunity. Many bacilli, resembling plague bacilli, were apparent in the slides.

Dr. Carmichael, of the United States Marine Hospital Service, also examined the slides. He had asked permission of the Board in the forenoon to accompany Consul-General Haywood to Kahului, but after noting the presence of bacilli in the slides he expressed a desire to go straight on to Hilo.

Case of Mrs. Serrao.

A detailed history of the illness and death of Mrs. Serrao is derived from the letter of Dr. W. L. Moore, agent of the Board of Health at Hilo, addressed to President Wood, as follows:

"Hilo, Hawaii, February 10, 1906.  
"Dr. C. B. Wood, President Board of Health, Honolulu.

"Dear Sir: I have to report to your honorable body, concerning the sickness and death of Mrs. A. G. Serrao, of this town, under circumstances that have caused us considerable worry, and the nature of which we do not feel certain to surrender in preference to being taken prisoners."

General MacDonald, with 4000 infantry, cavalry and artillery, threatens the Boer right at Magersfontein. This is the first sign of activity on the part of Lord Methuen for some weeks and doubtless has relation to the movements of the British farther east.

The Standard has received the following dispatch, dated Monday, February 5, from Kopple's Dam:

General MacDonald, with a brigade of infantry, a regiment of lancers and one battery, has reached here from Modder River camp, in what is regarded as an important movement to the right of the Boer position at Magersfontein. Kopple's Dam commands the roads from Kimberley to Hopetown and Douglas. Two Boer laagers, at Kamulhoek and Grigatown, are within striking distance. The arrival of General MacDonald's column was opportune, as it prevented two large commandos meeting a junction. He now holds both banks of the river. The laagers have two brushes with the Boer patrols. There is great activity among the enemy and strong forces are concentrated to oppose our further advance. The troops suffered from heat and scarcity of water during the march."

Mrs. Joubert's Energy.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The story that Mrs. Joubert is with General Joubert at the front and personally providing for his table does not surprise those who know something of that energetic woman. She went with him often in his campaigns against the natives. The old times in the laager, when, with other women, she melted lead for bullets for the men, have been recalled by Amsterdam acquaintances, who, taking her through the Rijks Museum, pointed out an ancient pewter collection.

Only remark was: "Good to make bullets of."

Mediatory Offices.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(Afternoon Service).—A special to the Times from Washington says:

It is learned that under the terms of the Hague treaty, which has just been ratified by the Senate, an effort will be made before long to exert such offices as may properly be extended to the belligerents to bring about a termination of the war in South Africa. Before this

At all times the mental disturbance and the prostration caused out of proportion to the fever. There were no pulmonary disturbances.

"At the post-mortem there was found no enlargement of the glands, other than those of the two groups. The body was buried in a tight box and the same filled with five barrels of unslacked lime, in the backyard of their property."

"The glands were put in Mohr's fluid and the jars sealed in a metal box, and I forward the same to your Board for examination. While we earnestly

hope the case will prove to be other than the plague, we do not feel justified in removing the restrictions until we hear from your examination.

"I would be glad if you would send me information regarding the disease, so that in the event of another suspicious case we can determine positively, and avoid delay and consequent danger."

A clerk in the same store was sick for two or three days with slight fever and enlarged glands of the groin, at the same time; none of the symptoms were pronounced and he is well, and still in quarantine.

"There is a rat proof fence around the Serrao store, and strict isolation will be enforced till we hear from you, that in the event of plague we shall be prepared to act."

"The appointment of Mr. Kennedy has given general satisfaction and was undoubtedly a wise choice."

"Hoping to have a speedy reply, I have the honor to be,

"Yours respectfully,  
"DR. W. L. MOORE,  
"Agent of the Board of Health."

The Afternoon Meeting.

At the afternoon session of the Board the difficulty arose as to who should accompany President Wood to Hilo. A medical man, familiar with the plague, its treatment, and the method of establishing quarantines was necessary in order to instruct the medical profession of Hilo on all matters pertaining to plague.

Minister Cooper felt that Honolulu needed the constant services of President Wood and a trip to Hilo would compel the latter to remain there almost a week. The President, however, was willing to make the trip, stating that a few hours' conversation with the physicians would be worth more than volumes of literature upon the subject. It was suggested that Dr. Garvin be picked up at Kahului on the way to Hilo; but President Wood strongly objected to removing him from his present post of duty, as the medical profession at Kahului and vicinity was not large in numbers, and he felt certain that under Dr. Garvin's guidance with all the people of the infected district in quarantine, the plague would be suppressed there in a short time.

It was finally decided that President Wood should undertake the trip. It was ascertained that the Maui would not go until this morning and further than this, she intended to stop at ports on her way to Hawaii. The Lechu was a slow boat. It was understood that Dr. Carmichael and Consul-General Haywood had been tendered the use of the United States tug Iroquois. These gentlemen, together with Commander Pond, sent the President of the Board a special invitation to make the trip on that vessel, which he accepted.

IROQUOIS' HEALTH MISSION.

Carries President Wood, and Party  
To Kahului and Hilo.

The Iroquois left Honolulu last night at 10 o'clock for Kahului and Hilo with Consul General Haywood, President Wood of the Board of Health, Dr. Carmichael, U. S. M. H. S., and A. L. C. Atkinson on board.

The Consul General and Dr. Carmichael will investigate the arrangements made at Kahului for transferring sugar from inland plantations, such as Spreckelsville, Hailu, Wailuku and Paia, from the Kahului railroad wharf to scows and from them into vessels. Although the railroad runs through the town of Kahului, yet it is some distance from the infected district; and the trains will be run directly upon the wharf, which is at present quarantined against the town and under guard at the land's end.

President Wood will make another investigation at Kahului and if the situation there has calmed down sufficiently, Dr. Garvin will be taken to Hilo, where he will be left in charge of health matters, while President Wood returns to Honolulu.

"Jack" Atkinson, the layman of the party, proffered his services and was accepted by President Wood on account of his executive ability displayed in handling quarantine camps. If Dr. Garvin goes to Hilo from Kahului, "Jack" will be left in charge of the latter place. If it is thought best for Dr. Garvin to remain at his present post, Hilo will be the destination of the kerosene warehouse ex-superintendent.

COST OF WAR.

Enormous Outlay of the United States  
Since 1898.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—From the breaking out of the war with Spain to the present time the total expenditures of the Government on account of that war and on account of the hostilities in the Philippines, amount in round figures to about \$755,000,000.

On account of the War Department \$275,000,000 on account of the Navy Department \$39,000,000; paid to Spain for the Philippines \$20,000,000; interest on war loan to date, \$9,000,000; increased expenses in departmental service in Washington, \$2,000,000. Total war expenditures, \$755,000,000.

Extending Honolulu Harbor.

An order was issued yesterday from California headquarters appointing Major William Ennis, Captain Adam Saker and Second Lieutenant G. R. Hancock, Sixth Artillery, a board of officers to meet at Honolulu as soon as practicable for the purpose of examining into and reporting upon the proposed extension of the existing harbor lines of this port, with a view to obtaining additional information upon which to base proper and intelligent action.—Chronicle.